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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: LORET *et al.*
Title: ANTI-RETROVIRAL FUNCTIONALIZED
AROMATIC COMPOUNDS
Appl. No.: 09/622,645
Filing Date: September 8, 2000
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Art Unit: 1626

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Filed: February 25, 2002

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated October 25, 2001, ("Office Action") concerning the above-referenced patent application. The deadline for response is February 25, 2002. Although applicants believe that the enclosed fee is correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or to charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

- Please amend the title of the invention to read:

**SUBSTITUTED TRIPHENE COMPOUNDS THAT INHIBIT TAT PROTEIN, AND
METHODS OF MAKING AND USING THE SAME**

- Replace the last paragraph on page 8 with the following paragraph:

The aromatic ring is advantageously such that the nonfunctionalized linear aliphatic chain noted -CH₂A' comprises 1 to 8 atoms, among which are carbon atoms and optionally

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